

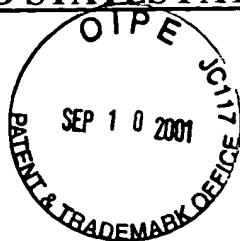
# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of  
**GROSSMAN ET AL.**

Serial No.: **09/596,114**

Filed: **JUNE 16, 2000**

Title: **NOVEL VECTORS FOR IMPROVING  
CLONING AND EXPRESSION IN  
LOW COPY NUMBER PLASMIDS**



Examiner: **LOEB, B.**

Art Unit: **1636**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated May 9, 2001 and due for response on August 9, 2001, and in accordance with Rule 111 of the Rules of Practice, please amend the above-identified Application as follows. Applicants submit herewith a petition for a one (1) month extension of time to and including September 10, 2001 since September 9, 2001 falls on a Sunday, in order to respond.

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